SUMMARY OF MEETING NORTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (8)

Henry E.S. Reeves Elementary School 2005 NW 111 Street Miami, FL January 12, 2005 7:00 PM

Community Council Members Present

Fredericke Alan Morley, Chair Bertha Carswell Billy Hester, Vice Chair Arthemon Johnson Anthony Dawkins

Community Council Members Absent

David Gongora

Miami-Dade County Team Metro Staff Present

Anne B. Hodge, Executive Secretary Angela Salomon, Planner Yvette Cunningham, Outreach Specialist

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Morley called the meeting to order at 7:15 PM. There was a quorum. Councilman Johnson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Councilman Hester made a motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Johnson and was unanimously approved by the members present.

Approval of Minutes of November 10, 2004 Meeting

Councilman Hester made a motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2004; the motion was seconded by Councilwoman Carswell and was unanimously approved by the members present.

Executive Secretary's Report

Ms. Anne Hodge, Executive Secretary, advised that there was a conflict with the agenda and the Budget Priorities would not be discussed during this meeting. The Council Budget Priorities will be tabled until next meeting.

Chairperson's Report

Chair Morley advised that there will be Committees set up within the Council in order to handle certain issues within County Agencies. The following is a list of the Committees and the Councilmember that will be representing that Committee.

Councilman Hester - Revitalization

Councilman Dawkins - Religious Institutions
Chair Morley- Economic Development

Councilwoman CarswellCouncilman GongoraCouncilman JohnsonCode Violations
Building and Zoning
Public Relations

Chair Morley requested that the community also be involved in the Committees. He briefly discussed storefront churches and the sale of alcohol near these churches that are located in strip malls.

Chair Morley requested that a get well card be sent to Reverend Philip Johns in Commissioner Rolle's office and advised that a new person was hired in his office. Mr. Dante Starks' appreciation was moved to February. Chair Morley requested that a tour be given for the new council members.

Miami-Dade Public Library System Presentation

Mr. Bill Raguzzo discussed and showed the site plans for the new library that will be built on NW 22nd Avenue between 70th and 71st street. He also provided a target completion date of 2006. Mr. Agustin Lugones discussed that 9 small libraries will be built within walking distance. There will be over 22,000 items in Library which will include 20 computer work stations.

Chair Morley expressed some concerns and would like to know who made the decisions on the library sites. Councilman Hester made motion to have Ms. Pinder represent the Committee for the Library concerns and to request a meeting with Commissioner Rolle regarding the concerns. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Carswell and unanimously approved by members present.

General Services Administration Presentation

Mr. Steven Roth, Architect and ADA Coordinator discussed that their department must make sure that the County complies with ADA (American Disabilities Act). He showed site plan for new housing project in community located from NW 75th St to NW 76th Street from 31st Avenue to 32nd Avenue. This project will be a drug rehabilitation center.

Office of Community and Economic Development

No staff present. Tabled for next meeting.

Miami Dade Housing Agency Presentation

Mr. Jay Shavin from H.J. Russell & Associates (HOPE VI) provided an update on the development of the Scott/Carver/HOPE VI Project. He advised that the ground breaking for the first phase was on Monday, January 10, 2005. He also stated that HOPE VI is partnering with Habitat for Humanity. Mr. Shavin also gave a brief description of the different services that HJ Russell is providing to the Scott/Carver residents.

North Central Charrette update

Councilman Hester reported that he did not have the paperwork regarding the North Central Charrette, but he would provide the documentation at the next Council meeting.

Community Input/Concerns

Ms. Dorothea Nixon requested an updated status on the North Central Charrette and what goals were established, after the passing of the 2004 General Obligation Bond (GOB). Councilman Hester responded that there aren't many projects for the Council area included in the GOB.

Agenda Items for March 9, 2005

Agenda items for the March 9, 2005 meeting, includes:

Budget Priorities
North Central Charrette Update
Response to Library System Committee report (Ms. Melford Pinder)
Office of Community & Economic Development
Solid Waste Department

Adjournment

Chair Morley made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Councilwoman Carswell seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Resp	Respectfully submitted by:
	Anne B. Hodge, Executive Secretary